

N-[(5S)-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(phenylmethoxy)carbonyl]imino]-1-oxidohexahydro-1 λ^4 -thiopyran-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidin-5-yl)methyl]acetamide, Z-isomer; or
N-[(5S)-3-[3-fluoro-4-(1-[(benzylamino)carbonyl]imino)-1-oxidohexahydro-1 λ^4 -thiopyran-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidin-5-yl)methyl]acetamide, Z-isomer.

66. A method for treating microbial infections comprising: administering to a mammal in need thereof an effective amount of a compound of formula I as shown in claim 47.

67. (new) A compound selected from the group consisting of

N-[(5S)-3-[3-fluoro-4-(1-[(ethoxycarbonyl)methyl]imino)-1-oxidohexahydro-1 λ^4 -thiopyran-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidin-5-yl)methyl]propanethioamide, Z-isomer;

N-[(5S)-3-[3-fluoro-4-[1-[(aminocarbonyl)methyl]imino]-1-oxidohexahydro-1 λ^4 -thiopyran-4-yl]phenyl]-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidin-5-yl)methyl]propanethioamide, Z-isomer;

COMMENTS

Claim 1 has been amended to eliminate i, iii, and iv from the list of structures for a since only ii is in the claim.

The Examiner is correct, structure B in claim 47 is not valence balanced. Claim 47 has been amended to include a double bond to the nitrogen.

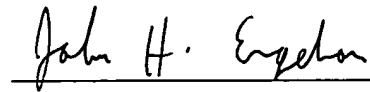
The Examiner has suggested insufficient antecedent basis for the limitation "[ethoxycarbonyl)methyl]imino" and [(amino carbonyl)methyl]imino in claim 46. The Examiner is correct.

Claim 46 has been amended to remove these limitations. Since these compounds are supported in the specification at page 8 (compounds 20 and 23) and by example 20 and 23 applicant has added an independent claim to these two compounds. With these amendments applicant

respectfully submits that claims 46-64 and 66 are in condition for allowance. Applicant further respectfully submits that the allowance of these claims removes the objection to claim 65.

Applicant respectfully requests re-consideration and allowance of these amended and newly presented claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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